



Round Rock Public Library System

Genealogy &

Local History News

Look at 1000's of Genealogy titles from home

You can now access the ProQuest/Heritage Quest Product, ***Genealogy and Local History Online***, from home. With your current Round Rock Public Library card, you can access this database along with many, many others.

Genealogy and Local History Online, consists of thousands of family histories and local histories in full-text images. This database of over 7.5 million fully searchable pages has resources on all 50 states as well as on Canada and the British Isles. The titles come from UMI's Genealogy and Local History Collection available on microfiche and some large genealogical libraries, like Chicago's Newberry Library. Titles continue to be added each month. To access this database, go to the library's home page at: <http://www.ci.round-rock.tx.us/library/library.html>. Click on "Database & Websites." Then follow the Database Subject Guide to "Genealogy, History, & Biography." Look down the list of available databases to ***Genealogy & Local History Online***. You can print, download, or e-mail information found. If you need help in using this product, contact the genealogy & local history librarian. Contact information is located on the other side of this sheet. For your convenience, there is a blue folder on the microfilm cabinet that contains many, many of the titles available on each state. This guide is not comprehensive.

Other useful databases now available from home

With your current library card, you may also access these databases that may be useful in your genealogy research.

ArchiveUSA Search through the holdings of over 5,400 US archival libraries. Information on contacting the libraries is also included.

Biography & Genealogy Master Index This database indexes over 1,000 biographical publications.

Texas Digital Sanborn maps Look at Sanborn fire insurance maps for Texas.

OCLC-Biography Index

WorldCat Check here to see what libraries may have a copy of that title you are looking for.

EBSCO-Masterfile Premier Helpful for historical articles on a given topic.

InfoTrac Newspapers Full-text for the last few years on many papers including those from Austin, Dallas, Houston, Atlanta, and others.

Books in Print Do you want to see if a particular title is still in print and available for purchase?

Ulrichsweb Do you want to know if there are any periodicals about Montana?

Texas Almanac
World Almanac

Want to learn more about these databases?

Join me for an "Introduction to Genealogy Databases" training session. This class will focus on about 12 databases that can help you in your search for information and materials relating to your genealogical interests. This class will provide an overview of these databases and show you how to access them from home. This class will be held on May 11 from 10-11:30am in the Library's computer training room on the 1st floor. All classes are hands-on and are open to the public. Class size is limited. To register, call the library at 218-7000.

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RRPL Genealogy Website

The genealogy website is located at

<http://www.ci.round-rock.tx.us/library/genealogy.html>

Look on the website for current events in genealogy, the latest acquisitions to the collection, genealogical Internet links, as well as a listing of CDs, microfilm, and periodicals in the collection. Click on the census link to see what census materials are available.

The genealogy collection is located on the 2nd floor and is available for use anytime the library is open. There are some helpful binders on top of the black microfilm cabinets. They contain a listing of books, CDs, & microfilm in the collection. Feel free to browse the books and periodicals. Ask for the microfilm and CDs at the reference desk.

Round Rock Family History Center

For your genealogical enjoyment, visit the Round Rock Texas Stake- Family History Center on 8140 Racine Trail Austin, TX 78717. Go out RR 620 and take a right on Cornerwood. At the first stop sign, you will see the church. Park on the other end of the building. Their phone number is 388-1160. The hours of the center are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 10am-1pm, 6:30pm-9pm and Saturday 9am-12:30pm.

New CDs in the Collection

WCGS has just added the following US Federal Census Indexes on CD: 1850 Tennessee (CD#128), 1870 Arkansas & Louisiana (CD#129), 1870 Georgia (CD#130), 1870 Kentucky (CD#131), 1870 Mississippi (CD#132), 1870 Pennsylvania (CD#133), and 1870 Texas (CD#134). Use the numbers to request the CD at the reference desk to use in the genealogy computer.

New Books in the Collection

Some titles recently added to the collection include:

Genealogies in the Library of Congress
(5volume set) GEN 929.1 LIB

Black roots GEN 929.108996073 BUR

The formation of NC counties, 1663-1943
GEN 911.756 COR

Guide to Genealogical Research in the National Archives GEN 016.9291 UNI

Terry County, TX history GEN 976.4859 TER

Kerr County, Texas 1856-1976 GEN 976.4884 WAT

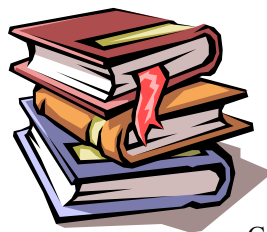
Baptismal records of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Serbin, Texas, 1854-1883

GEN 929.3764247 KIL

A History of Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown, TX 1868-1981 GEN 283.764289 GIR

Rent Heritage Quest Microfilm

RRPLS is a member of the Heritage Quest microfilm rental program. This entitles you to rental privileges from their vast collection of microfilmed materials. See www.heritagequest.com for titles and reel numbers. Each reel is \$3.25. There is also a \$3.00 Heritage Quest handling charge for each order. The film stays in the library for 30 days and can be renewed for \$3.25. Borrowed film is available for viewing anytime the library is open. See **Chip Hadley** to rent microfilm. Chip is in charge of Interlibrary Loan here at the library. If you have any questions about Heritage Quest microfilm or ILL, see Chip on the 1st floor, call him at 218-7009, or e-mail him at Chadley@round-rock.tx.us.



Consider donating

some of your genealogical materials to the genealogy collection. Give your items to either the library, marked genealogy collection, or to the Williamson County

Genealogical Society. Consider

placing a copy of your historic Round Rock photographs and/or documents in the library's local history collection.

Williamson Co. Genealogical Society meets in May

The Williamson County Genealogical Society will meet on Thursday, May 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the library's meeting room A. This month's speaker will be Ella Sheffield who will speak on "Revolutionary Era Ancestors." The Society meets at 7:30pm on the 2nd Thursday of every month except for August and December in the library's meeting room A. Visitors are always welcome. Look on the genealogy sign-in stand for a Williamson County Genealogy Society brochure and membership application.

Thanks & Appreciation

Thanks to **Vicci Conway** for her donation of her collection of genealogy periodicals. Some of the titles donated are *NGS Quarterly*, *Ancestry*, and *Genealogical Computing*.

Thanks also to **Suzy Mallard** for donating her labor of love, the *Moehring-Ross News and Olds* newsletter; which includes historical & current news information on the Moehring and Ross families.

Elizabeth L. Johnston, the genealogy and local history librarian, is available to help with your genealogy reference questions Sat 9:00-2:30, Sun 1:00-5:00, and Mon 3:00-9:00pm. You may also e-mail her at ejohnston@round-rock.tx.us.